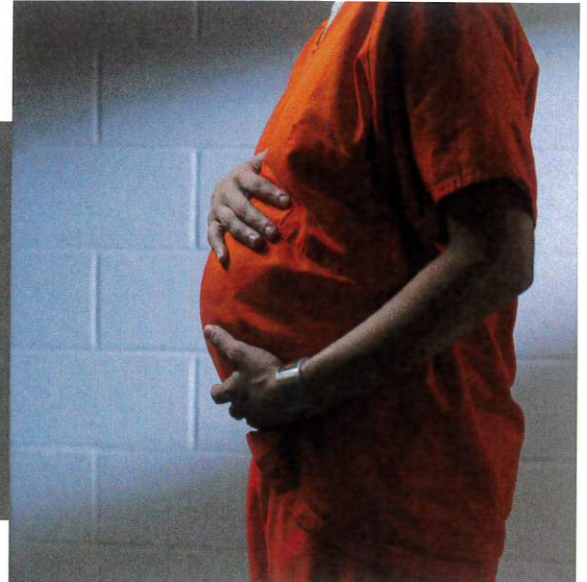


H.B. 122 Pregnant and Postpartum Inmate Amendments

Rep. Pierucci



WHAT THE BILL DOES

- Requires the Department of Corrections and each county jail to report the number of known pregnant female inmates and the number of inmates who are parents of a minor child to the State Commission on Criminal and Juvenile Justice.
- Clarifies that postpartum recovery lasts 12 weeks after a female inmate gives birth.
- Prohibits the use of restraints on an inmate during postpartum recovery unless an individualized determination is made that the inmate presents a serious safety or escape risk.
- Extends the required access to a social worker from six weeks to 12 weeks for pregnant and postpartum female inmates to help: arrange childcare, establish reunification plans, and coordinate substance abuse treatment if needed.
- Requires jails and DOC to provide access to postpartum medical care for 12 weeks after birth.